REMARKS

Claims 1-9, 13-26, 30-36 were pending as of the action mailed on November 14, 2006. In a response to an restriction requirement mailed June 11, 2007, the applicant elected claims 1, 3-9, 13, 18, 20-26, 30, 35 and 36.

Presently, claims 1, 7, 8, 18, 24 and 25 have been amended, claims 3-6 and 20-23 are being canceled, and new claims 37-39 have been added.

Claims 1 and 18 have been amended to incorporate elements of cancelled claims 5 and 6. New claims 37 and 38 have been created to combine elements of independent claims 1 and 18 with cancelled claims 3 and 4. New claim 39 is a system claim corresponding to method claim 1 and product claim 18. No new matter has been added.

Reexamination and reconsideration of the action are requested in light of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Conclusion

The applicant respectfully requests that all pending claims be allowed.

By responding in the foregoing remarks only to particular positions taken by the examiner, the applicant does not acquiesce with other positions that have not been explicitly addressed. In addition, the applicant's selecting come particular arguments for the patentability of a claim should not be understood as implying that no other reasons for the patentability of that claim exist. Finally, the applicant's decision to amend or cancel any claim should not be understood as implying that the applicant agrees with any positions taken by the examiner with respect to that claim or other claims.

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